

# Condensation of Fluctuations

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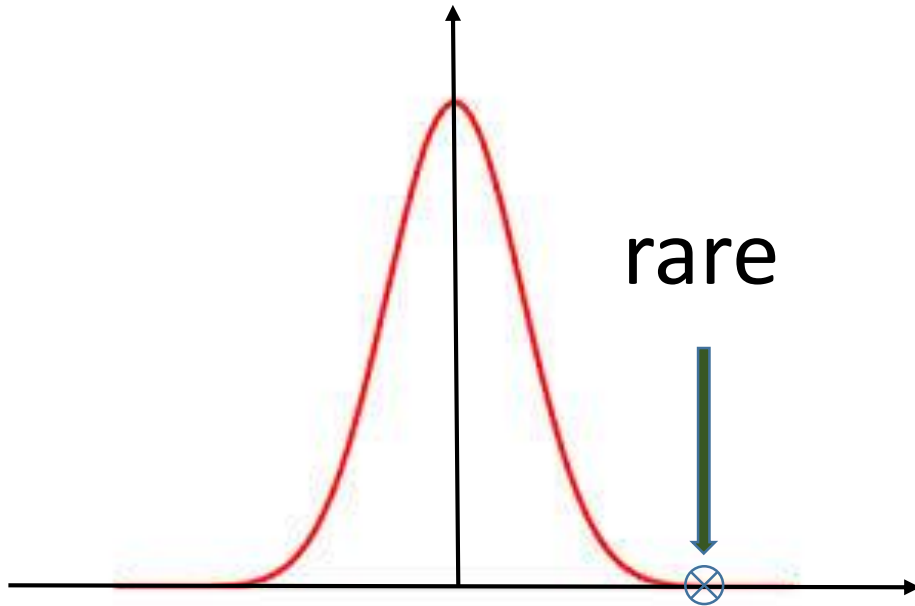
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## ***OUTLINE:***

- duality of rare and typical events
- IBG in the grand canonical ensemble:  
condensation of fluctuations as a rare event
- Observability: mean canonical ensemble
- grand canonical catastrophe
- photon condensation

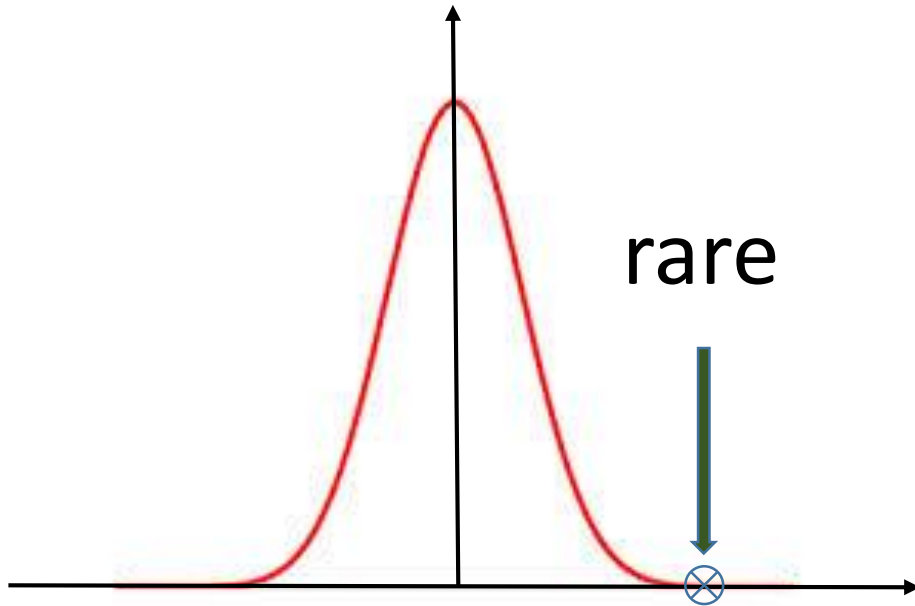
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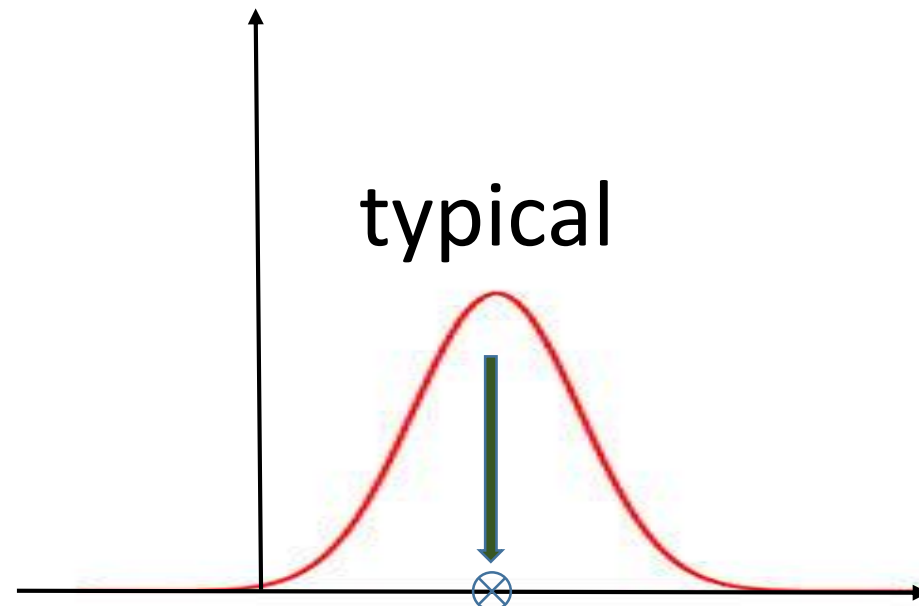


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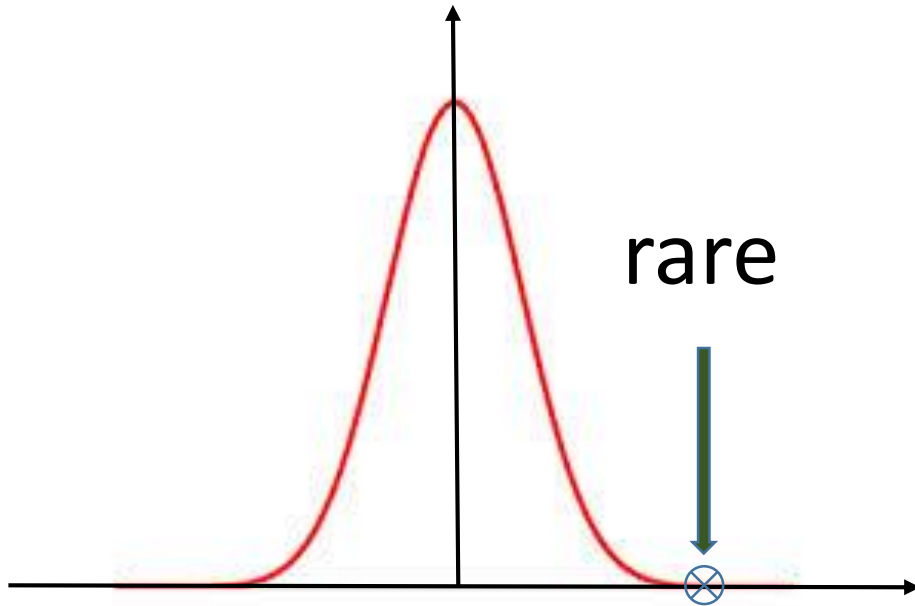


modified environment

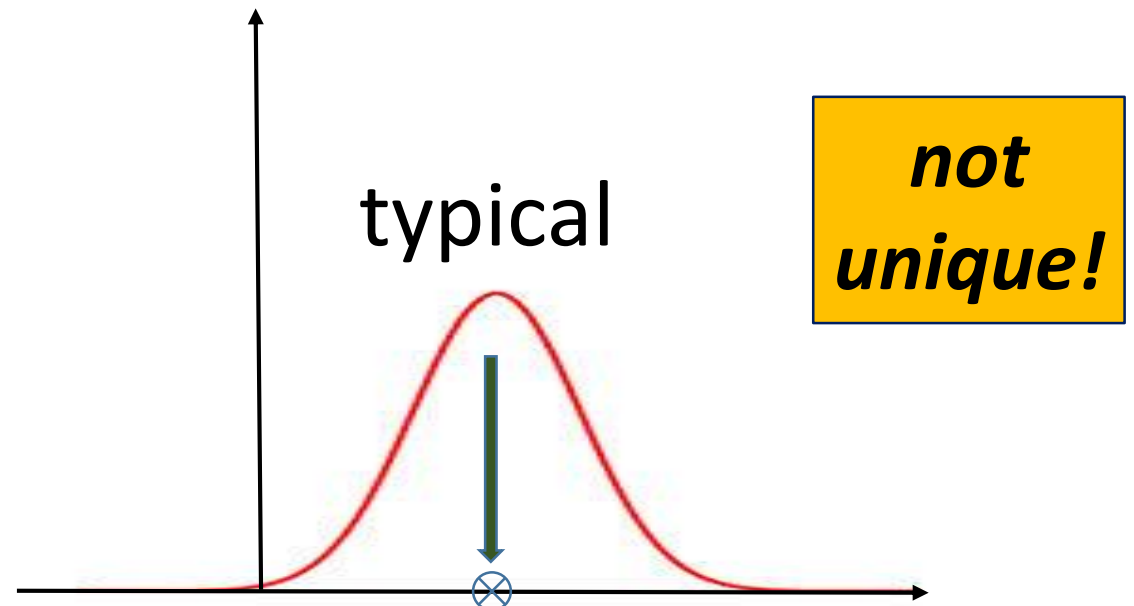


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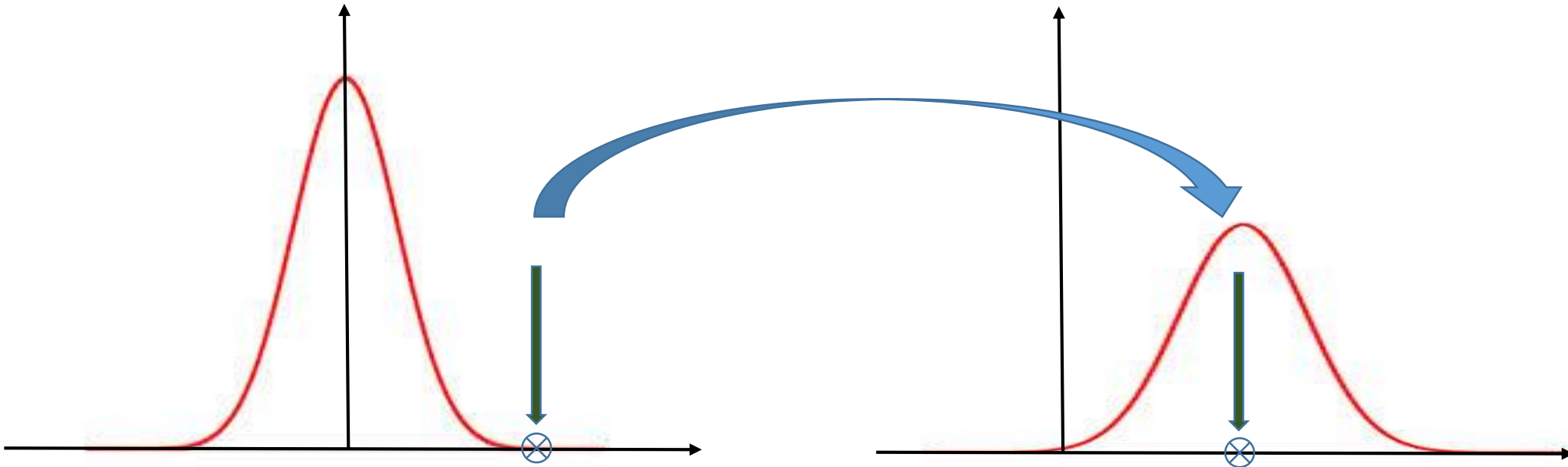
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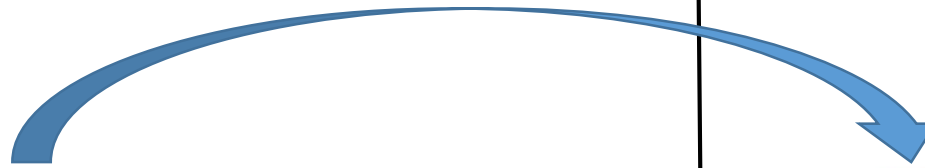
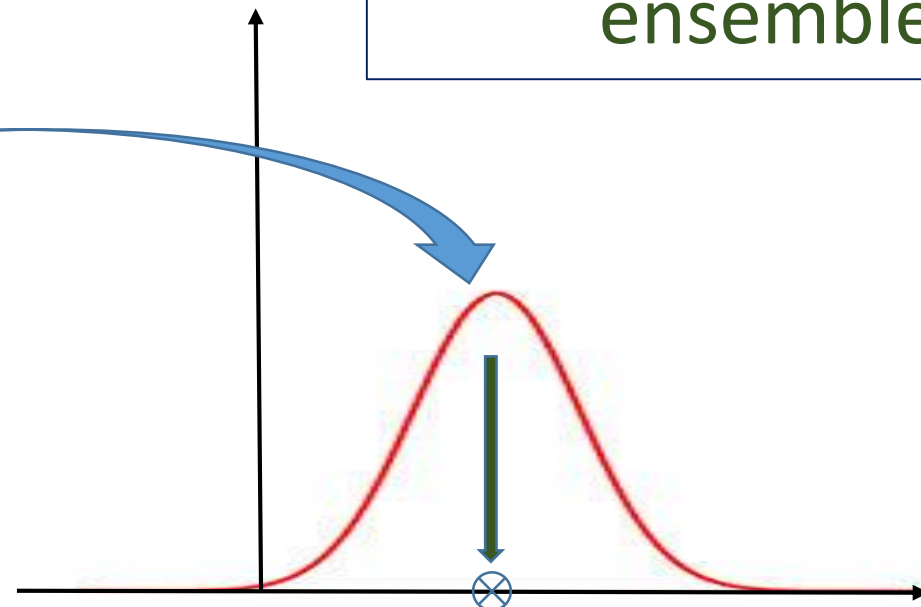
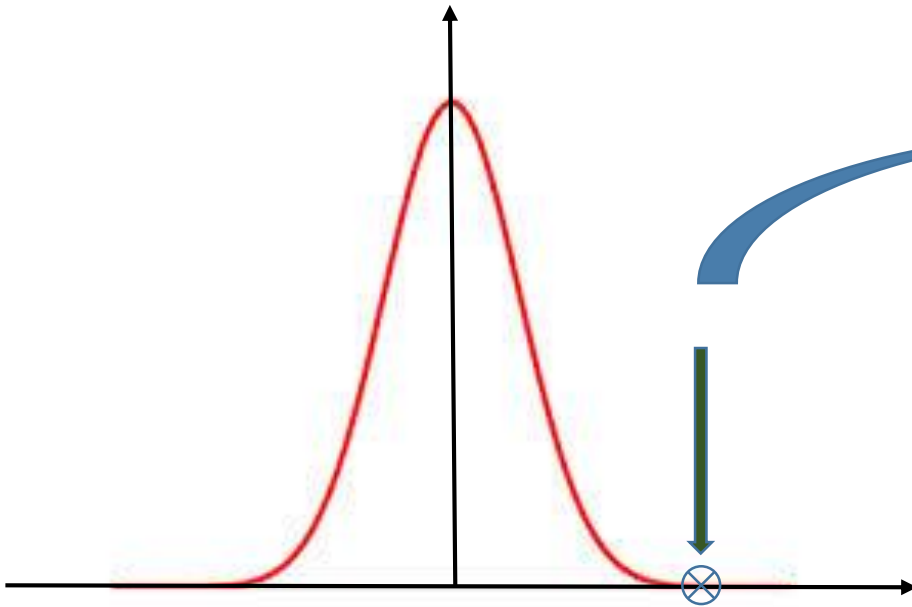
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constrained or biased  
ensemble



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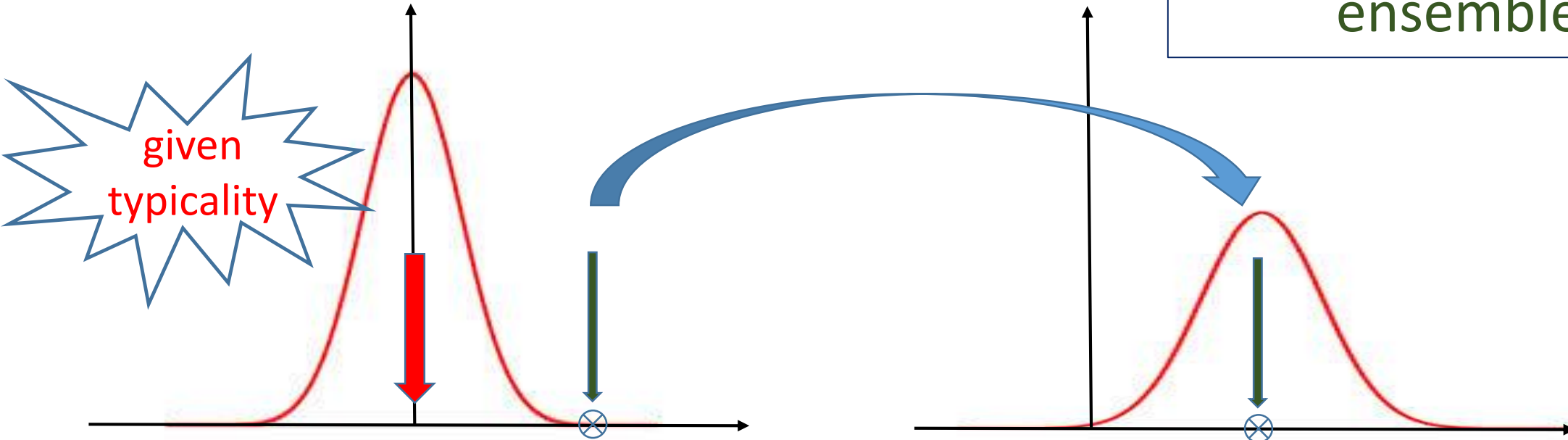
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# *Out of equilibrium*

- *Thermodynamics of trajectories*  
L. R. Jack and P. Sollich, Progr. Theor. Phys. Supp. **184**, 304 (2010)
- *Conditioned stochastic process*  
R. Chetrite and H. Touchette, Phys. Rev. Lett. **111**, 120601 (2013)
- *Optimization*  
T. Nemoto and S. Sasa, Phys. Rev. Lett. **112**, 090602 (2014)
- ...

# non interacting systems

- *constraints induce correlations*
- *fluctuations may display non trivial features even if average behavior is trivial*

F.Corberi, G.Gonnella, A.Piscitelli and M.Zannetti, *J. Phys. A* **46**, 042001 (2013)

J.Szavits-Nossan, M.R.Evans and S. N. Majumdar, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **112**, 020602 (2014);  
*J. Phys. A* **47**, 455004 (2014)

M.Zannetti, F.Corberi and G.Gonnella , *Phys. Rev. E* **90**, 012143 (2014)

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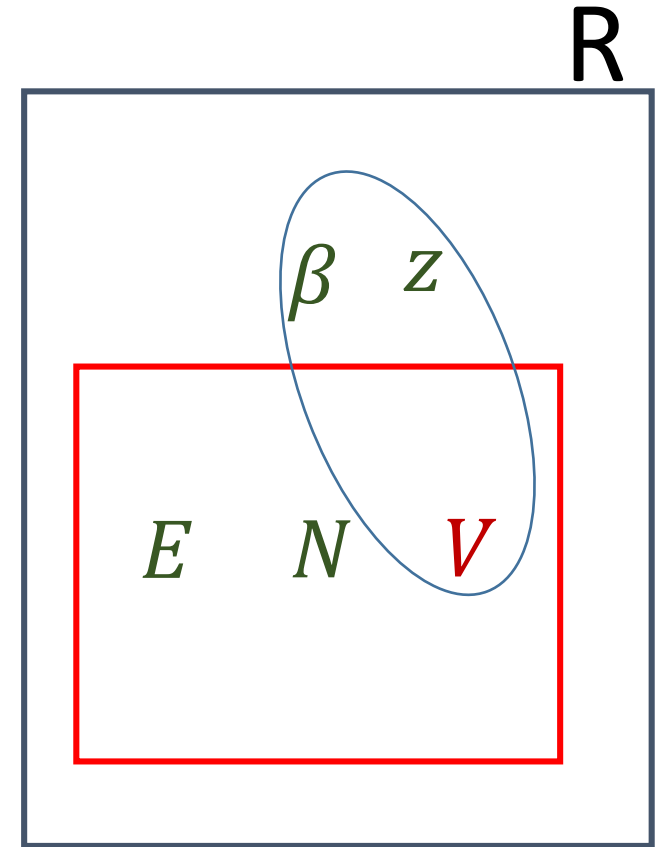
F. Corberi, arXiv:1505.01025

# *Ideal Bose Gas in the Grand Canonical Ensemble:*

MZ EPL **111**, 20004 (2015)

$$\omega = [n_{\vec{p}}] \quad \mathcal{H}(\omega) = \sum_{\vec{p}} \epsilon_{\vec{p}} n_{\vec{p}} \quad \mathcal{N}(\omega) = \sum_{\vec{p}} n_{\vec{p}}$$

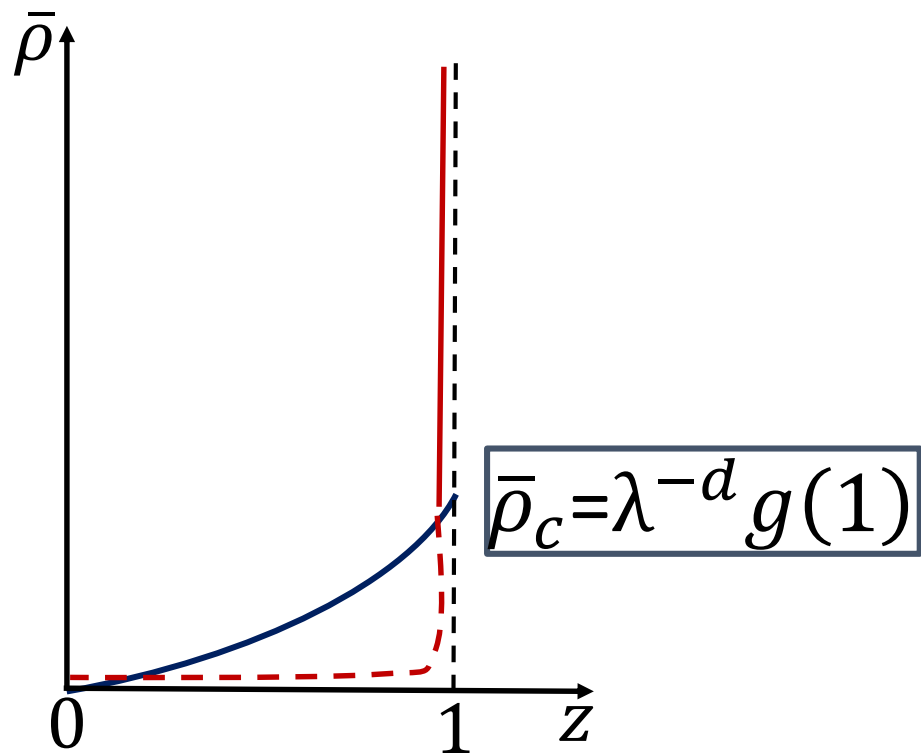
$$J = (\beta, z, V), \quad z = e^{\beta\mu}$$



given typical behavior

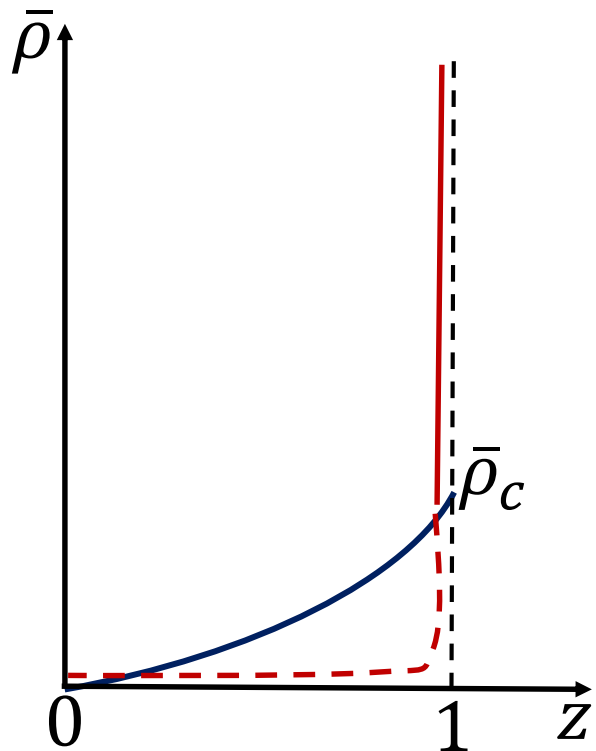
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thermal  
wavelength

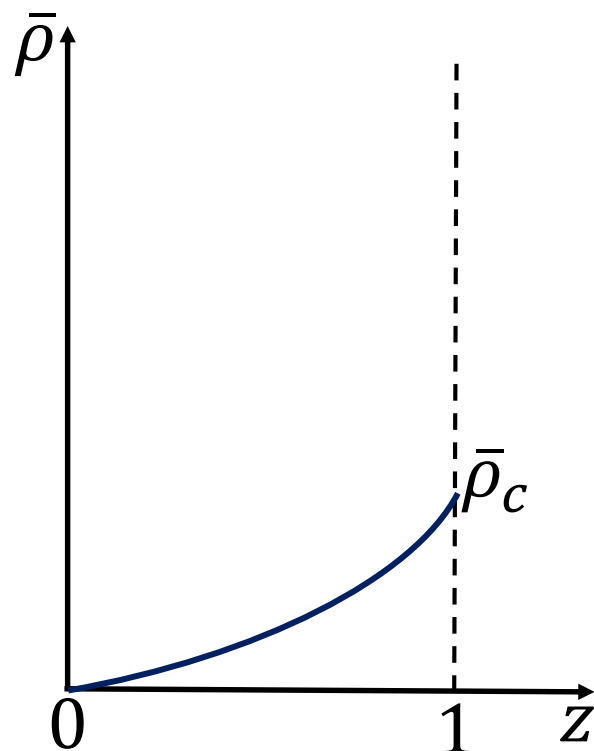


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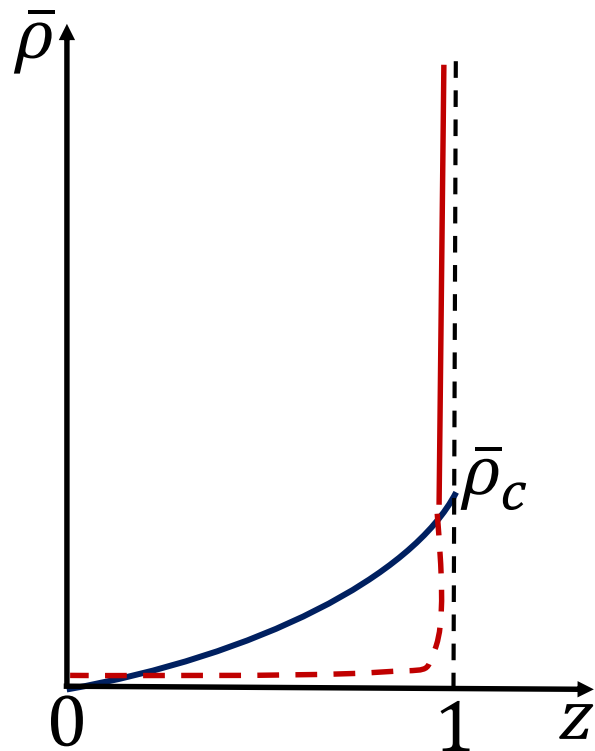


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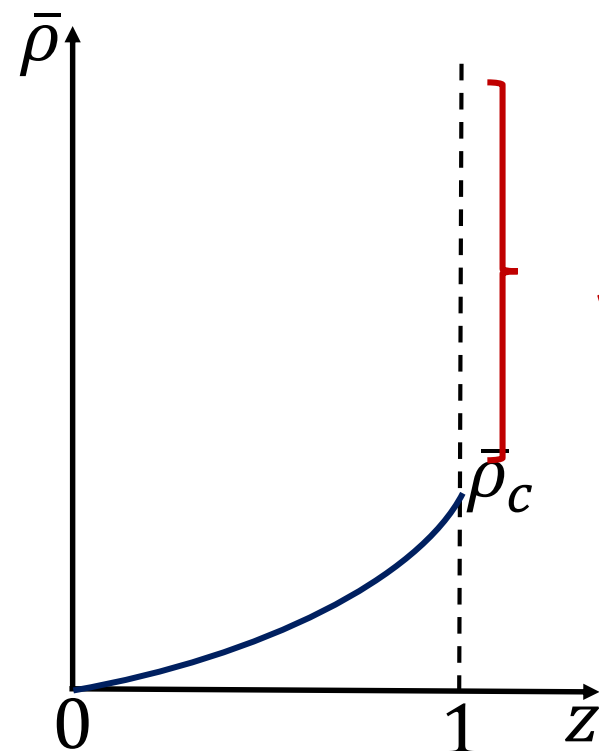


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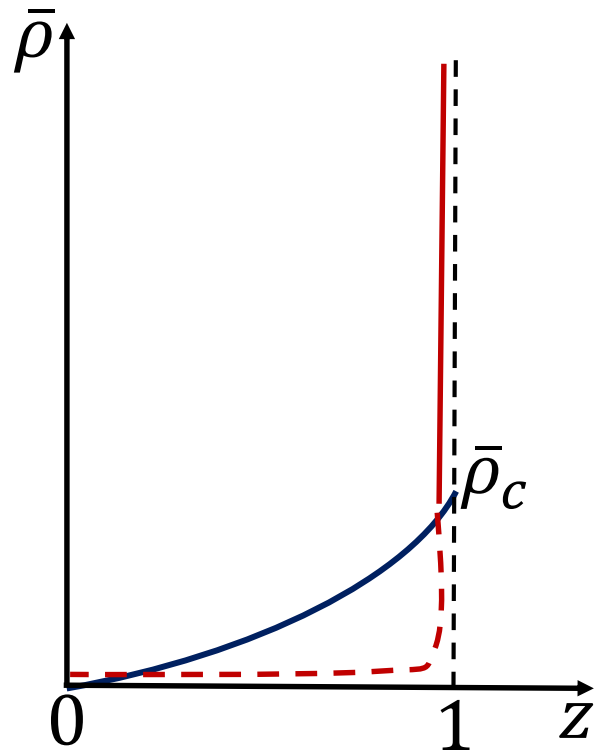
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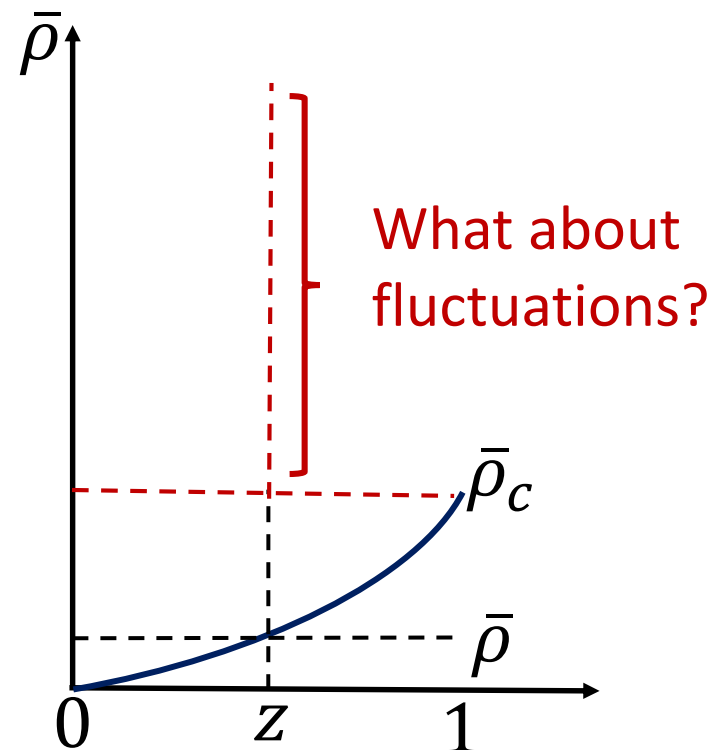
region forbidden  
to typical values  
when controlling  
via  $J=(\beta, z, V)$

# EQUATION OF STATE

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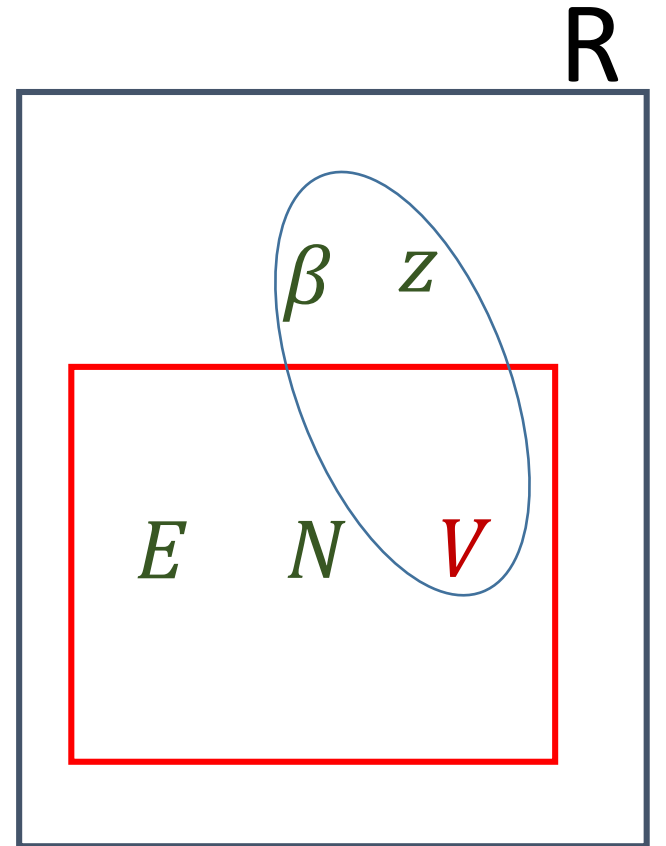


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given environment

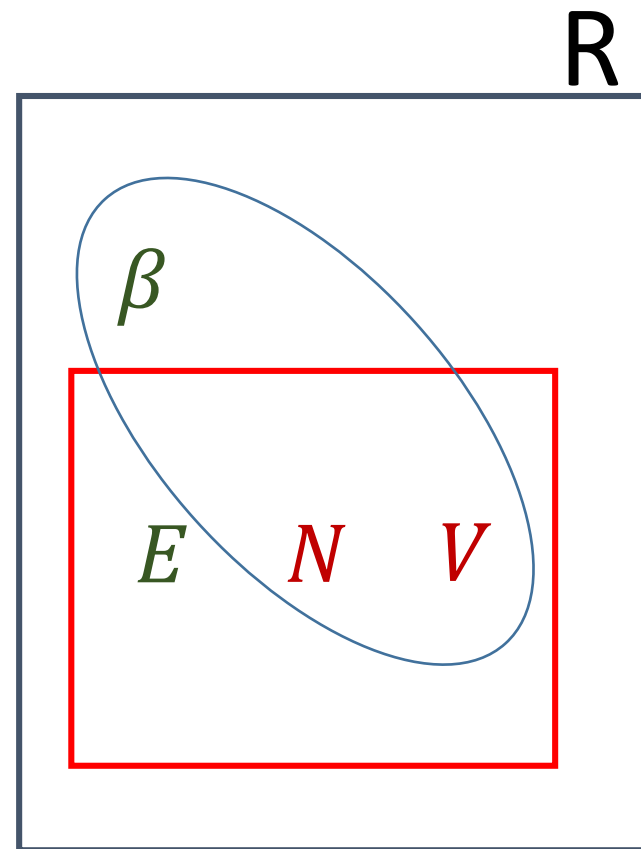




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modified environment



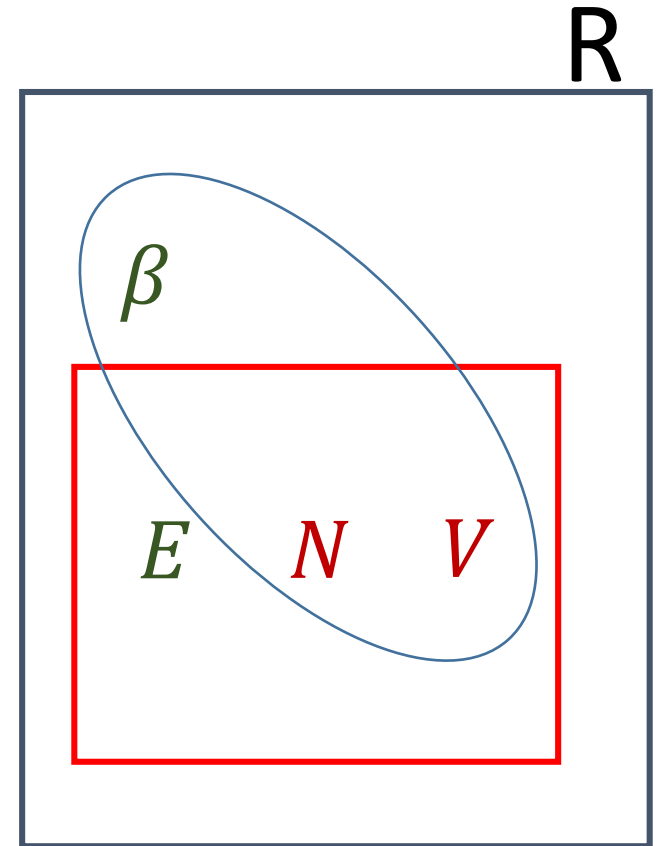
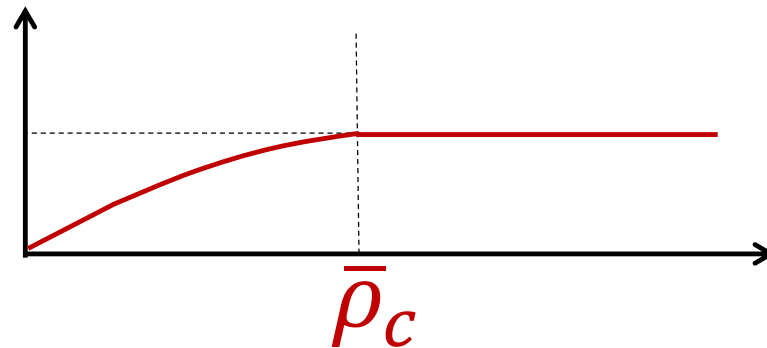
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*BEC in the  
canonical  
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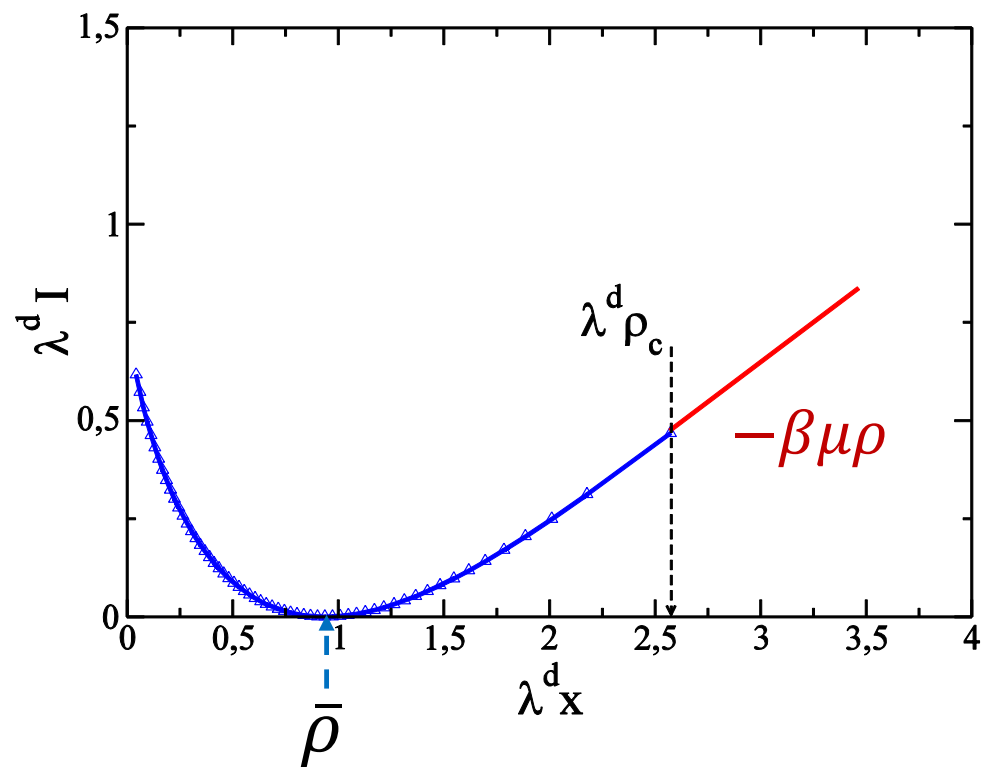
$$\langle n_0 \rangle = V(\rho - \bar{\rho}_c)$$

$f_c(\beta, \bar{\rho}_c)$



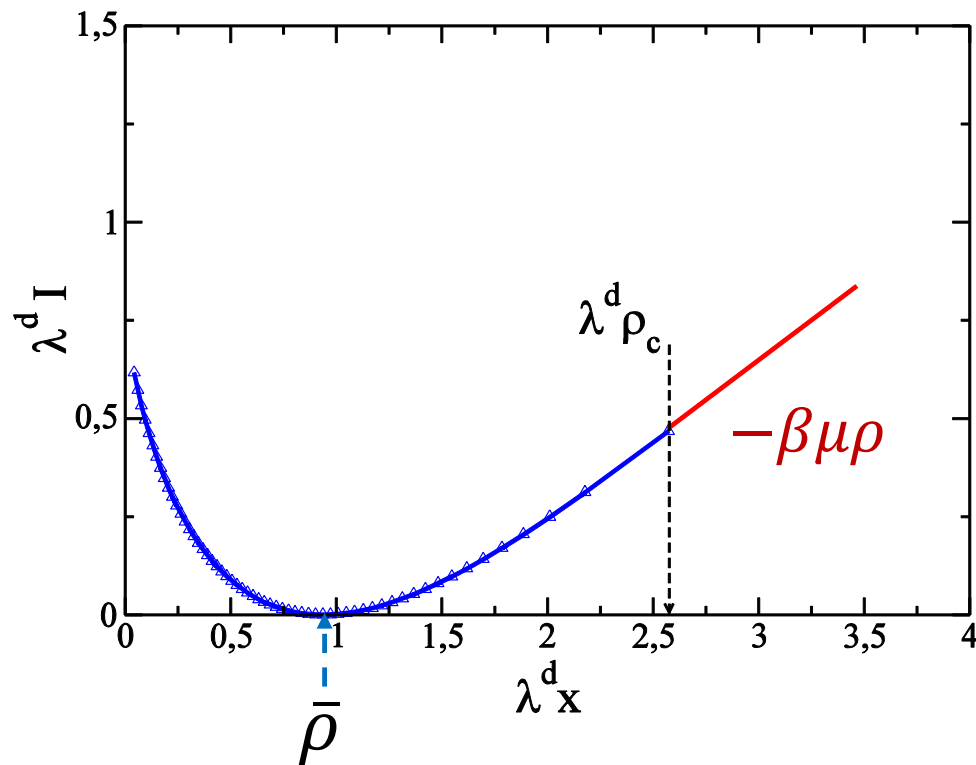
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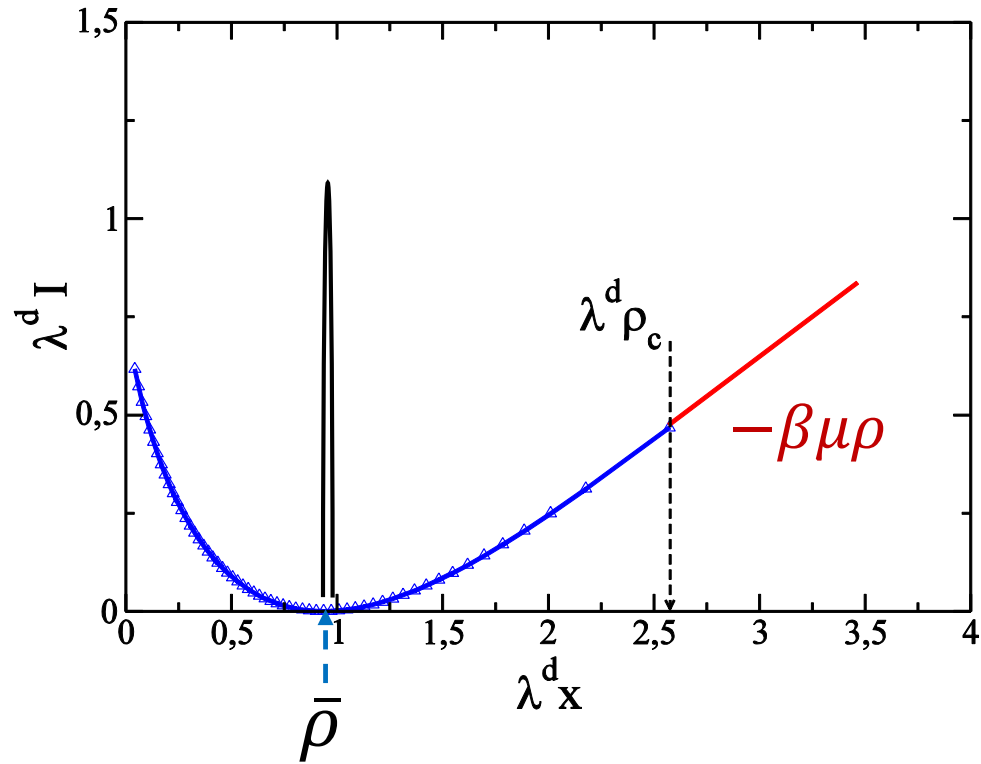


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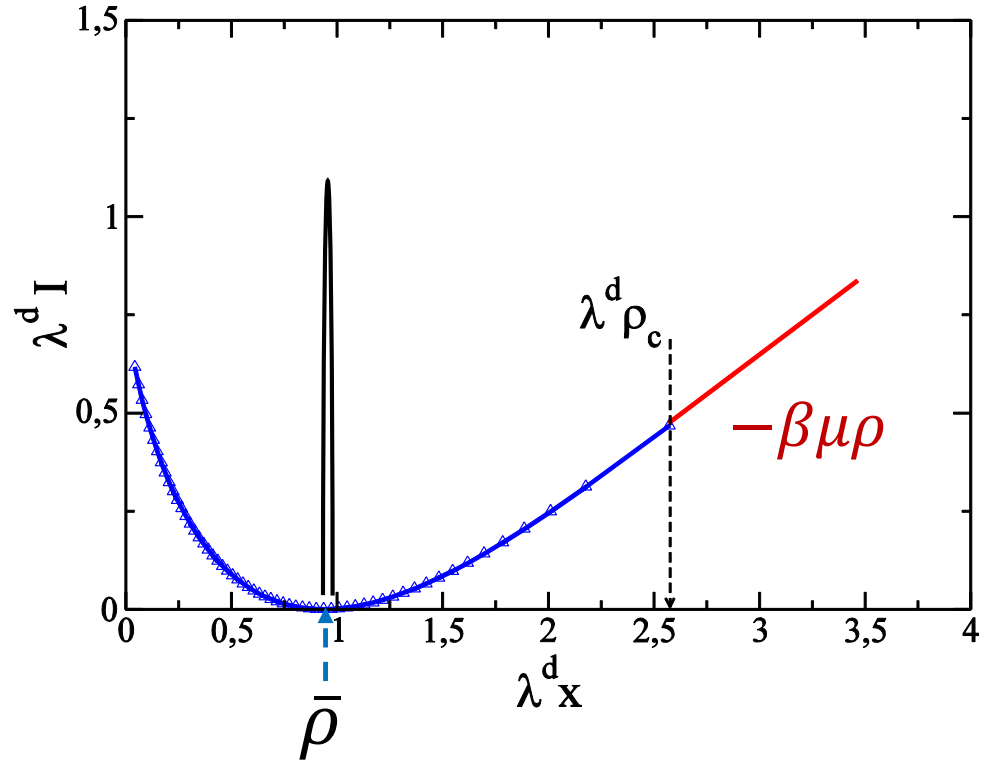
**condensation of fluctuations:**  
macrofluctuations exceeding  $\bar{\rho}_c$   
 occur only through the single  
 microvariable  $n_0$



$$\lim_{V \rightarrow \infty} P_{gc}(\rho) = \delta(\rho - \bar{\rho})$$

*condensation of fluctuations*

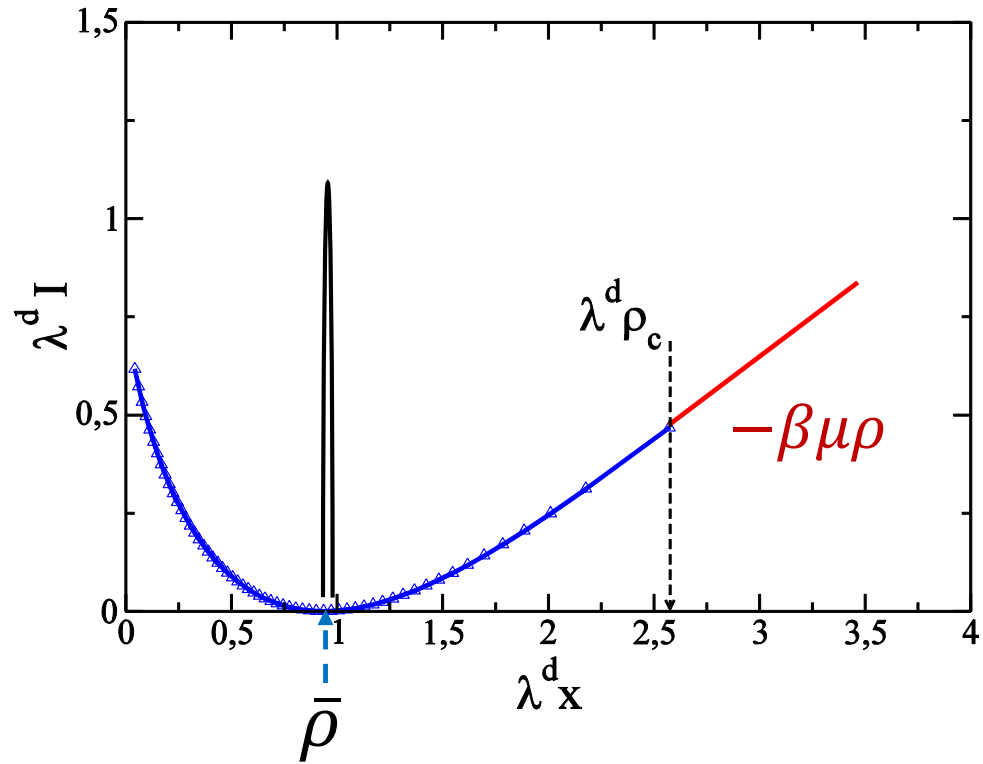
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- ***how to observe it?***



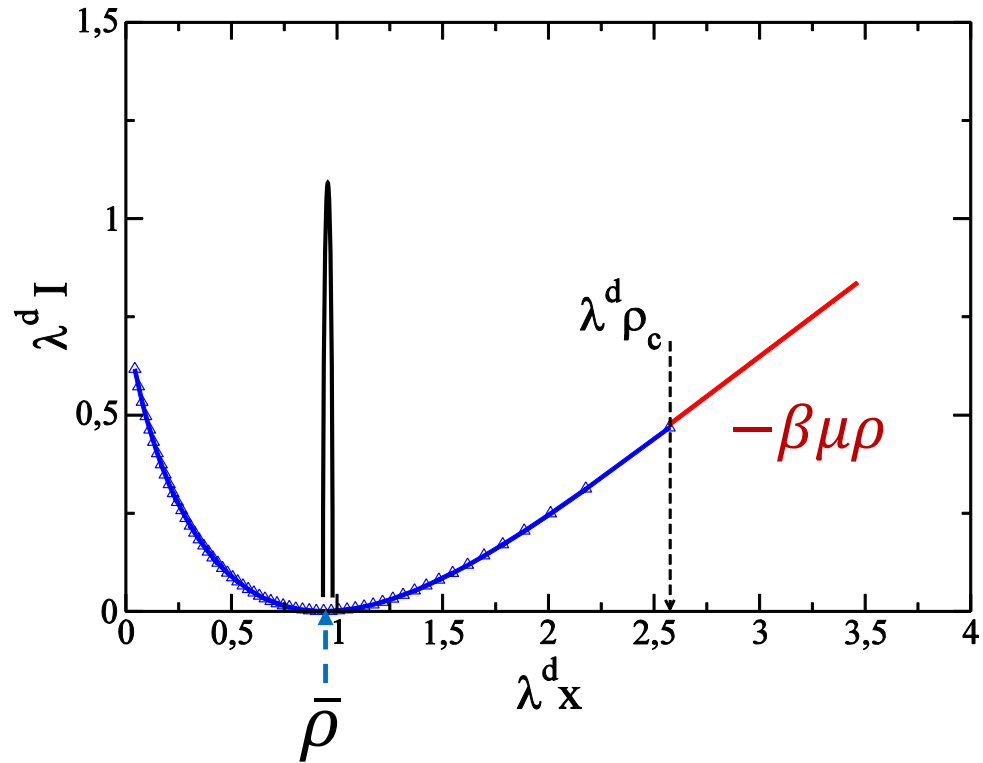
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- *$\mu$  controls the slope*



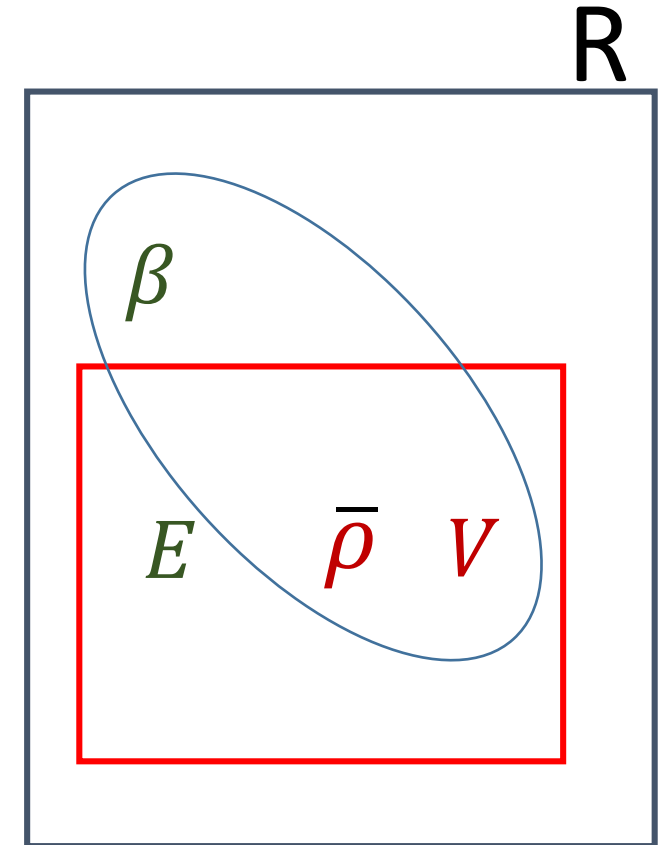
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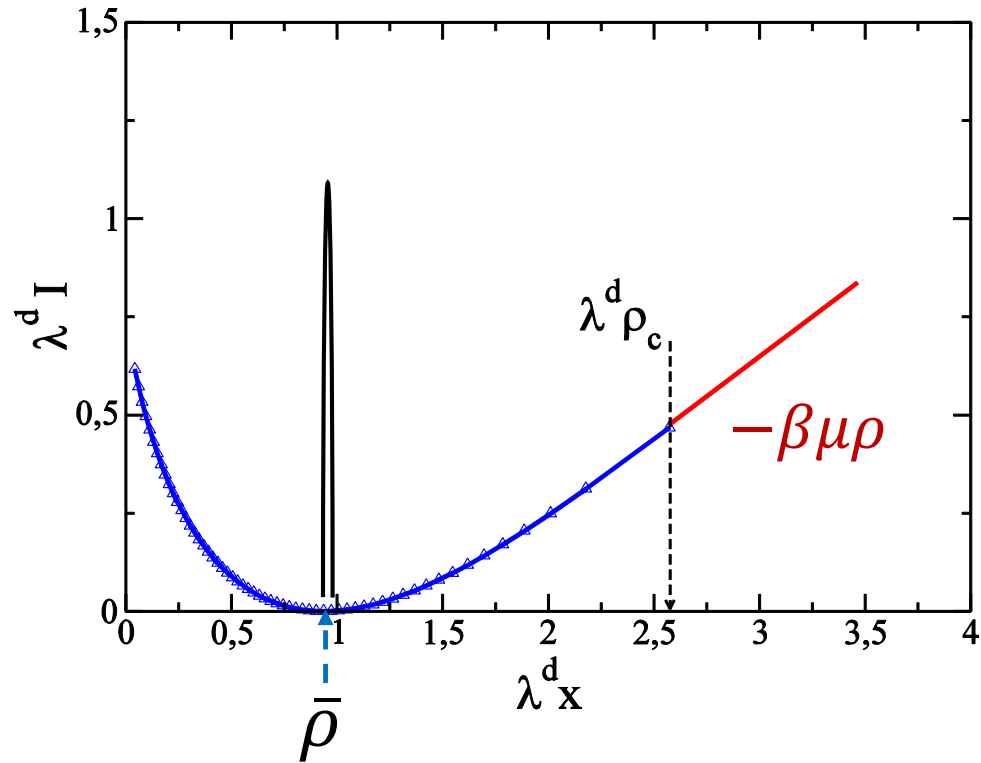
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Beware! Ensemble is changed to  
MEAN CANONICAL ENSEMBLE

$$J = (\beta, z, V) \rightarrow (\beta, \bar{\rho}, V)$$





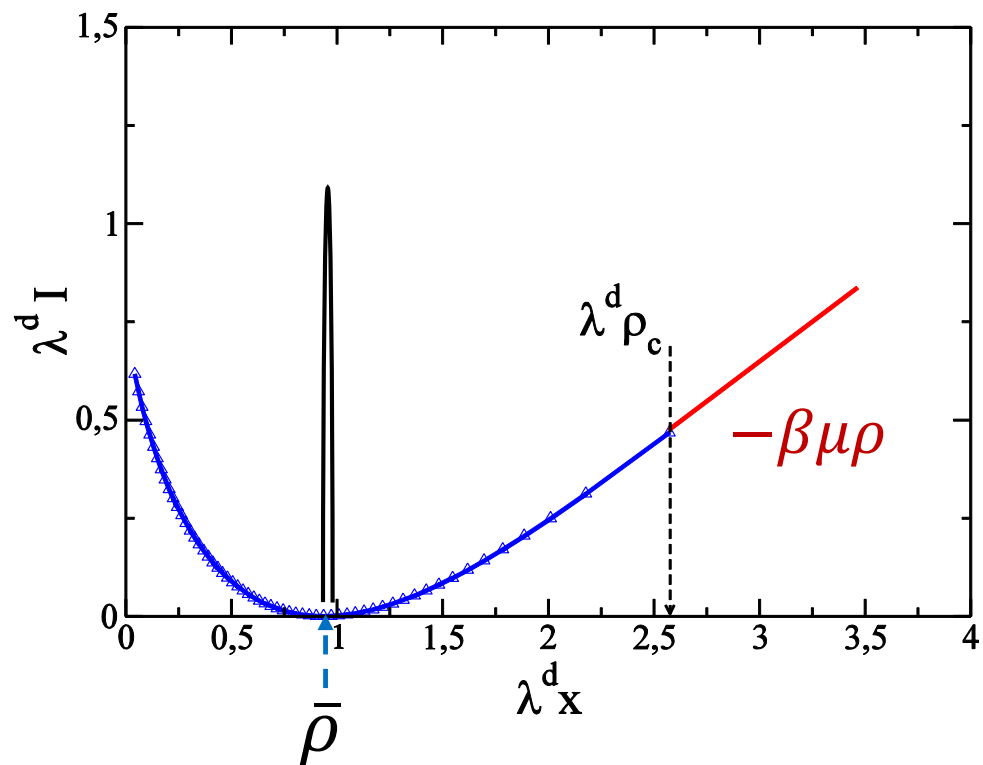


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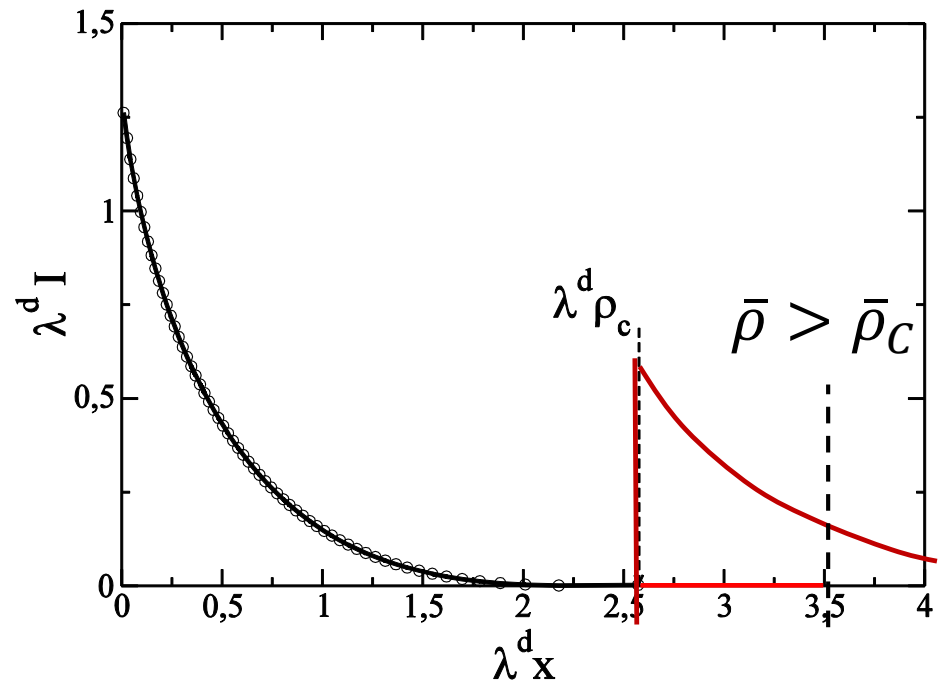
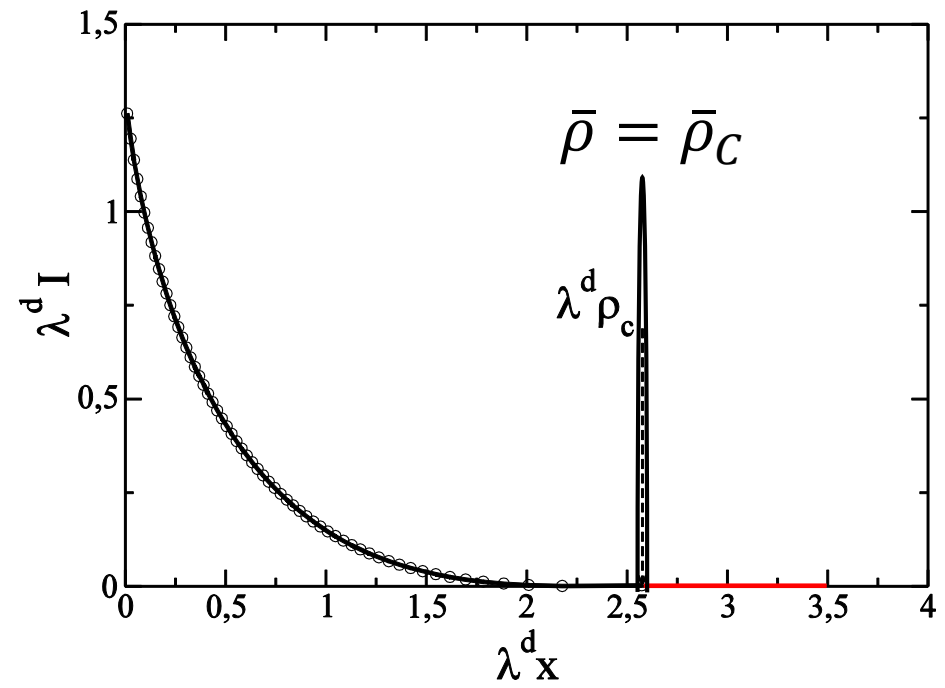
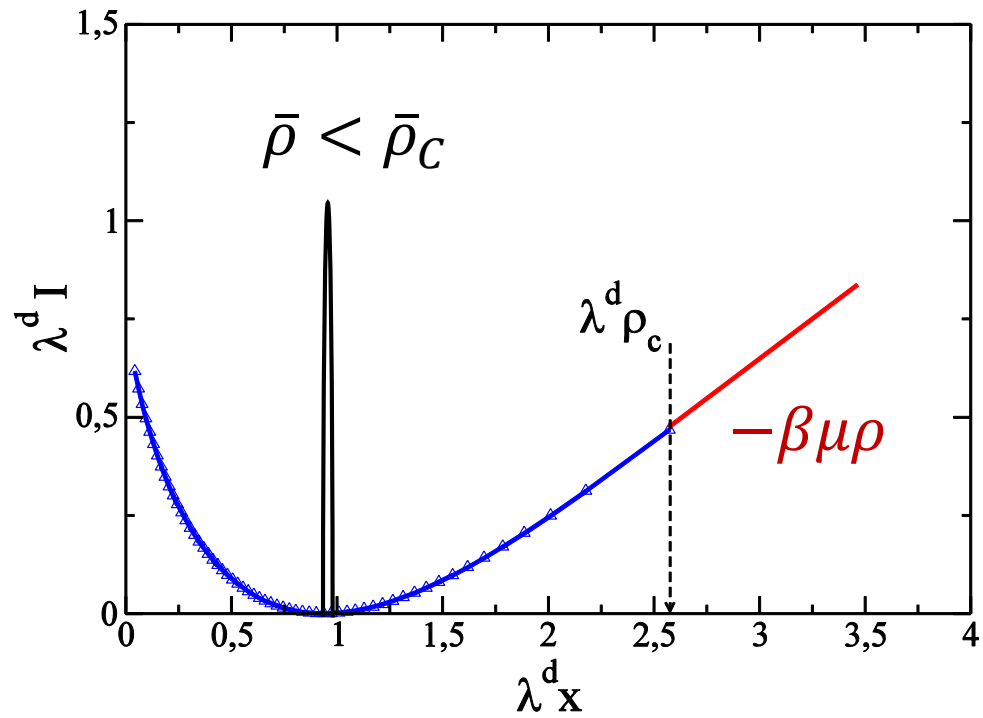
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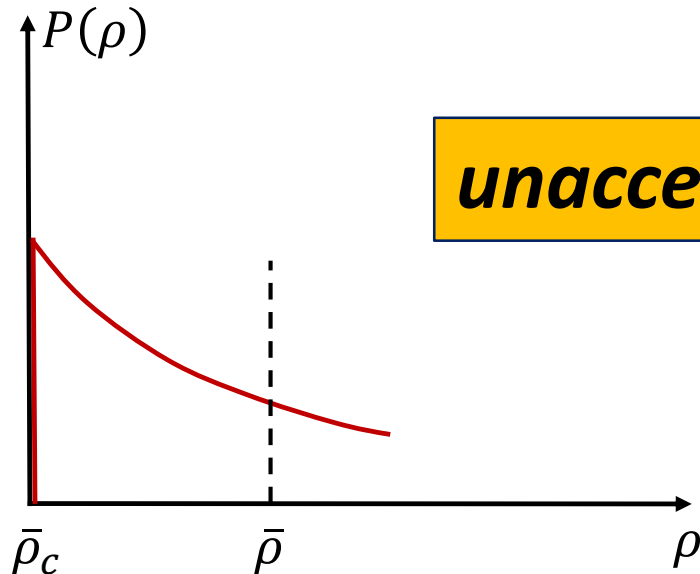
$$P_0(\rho) = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\rho - \bar{\rho}_c}{\bar{\rho} - \bar{\rho}_c}\right)}{\bar{\rho} - \bar{\rho}_c}$$

*overdoing it?*

*Problem:* **fluctuations are HUGE**

$$\langle \delta n^2 \rangle \sim V^2$$

*worst: persist down to  $T = 0$ !*



***unacceptable!***

# GRAND CANONICAL CATASTROPHE

$$\langle \delta n^2 \rangle \sim V^2$$

I. Fujiwara et al. «exact but unphysical» (J.Stat.Phys. 1970)

M. Holthaus et al. «serious failure of GCE...unacceptable; when all particles occupy the ground state, the fluctuations has to die out», (Ann. of Phys. 1998)

M. Wilkens et al. «..the vagueries of number fluctuations...it is the grand canonical ensemble which is flawed..»

L.Pitaevskii and S.Stringari «...pathological feature of the GCE..»  
(Oxford University Press 2003)

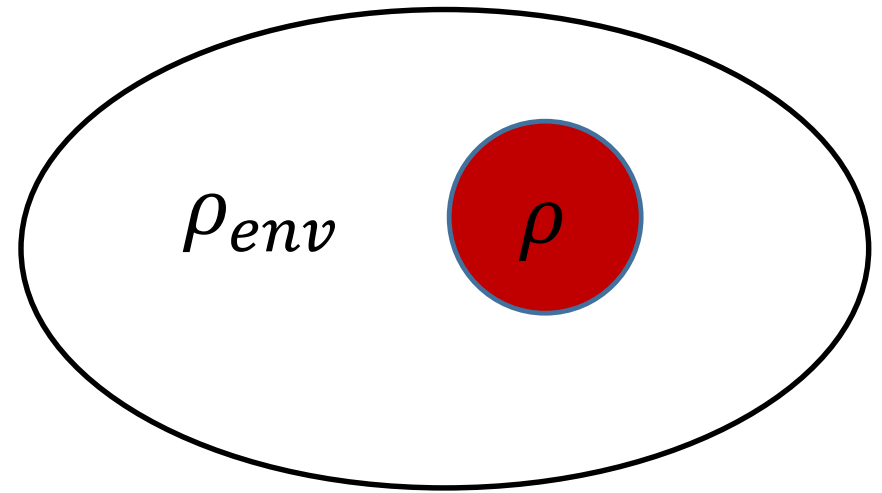
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*It means that there is nothing wrong with the derivation, but the physical conditions for the **MCE** are unrealizable*

R. M. Ziff, G. E. Uhlenbeck and M. Kac,  
*Physics Reports* **4**, 169 (1977)



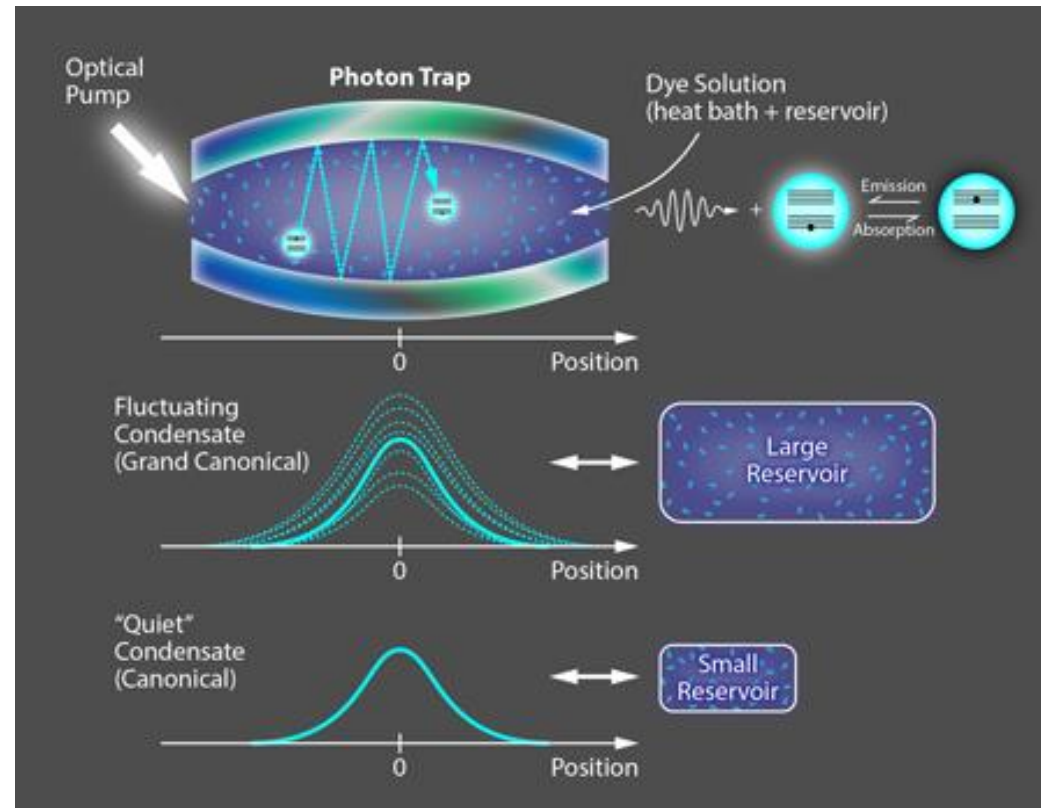
*no grand canonical  
catastrophe!*

$$P(\rho|\rho_{env}) = \delta(\rho - \rho_{env})$$

# *mean canonical conditions in the lab*

Klaers et al., *Bose-Einstein condensation of photons in an optical microcavity* (Nature 2010)

Schmitt et al., *Observation of the Grand Canonical Number Statistics in a Photon Bose-Einstein Condensate*, (PRL 2014)







## Observation of Grand-Canonical Number Statistics in a Photon Bose-Einstein Condensate

Julian Schmitt,<sup>\*</sup> Tobias Damm, David Dung, Frank Vewinger, Jan Klaers,<sup>†</sup> and Martin Weitz

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We report measurements of particle number correlations and fluctuations of a photon Bose-Einstein condensate in a dye microcavity using a Hanbury Brown-Twiss experiment. The photon gas is coupled to a reservoir of molecular excitations, which serve as both heat bath and particle reservoir to realize grand-canonical conditions. For large reservoirs, we observe strong number fluctuations of the order of the total particle number extending deep into the condensed phase. Our results demonstrate that Bose-Einstein condensation under grand-canonical ensemble conditions does not imply second-order coherence.

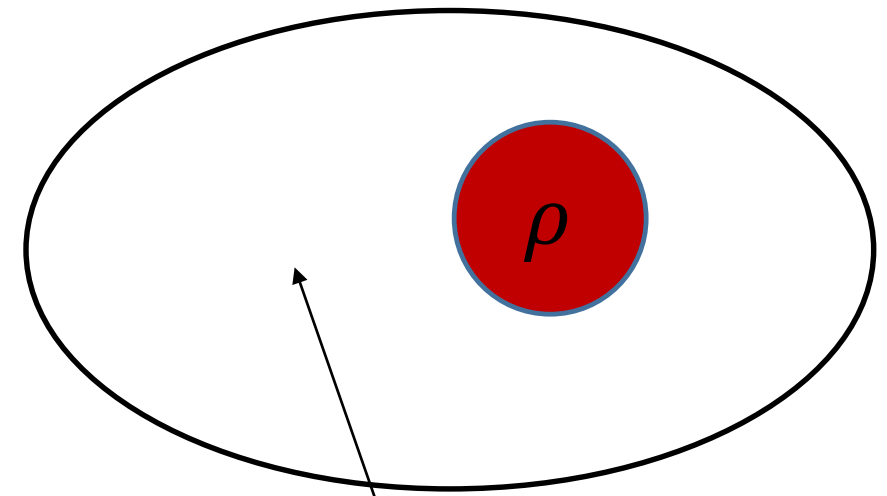
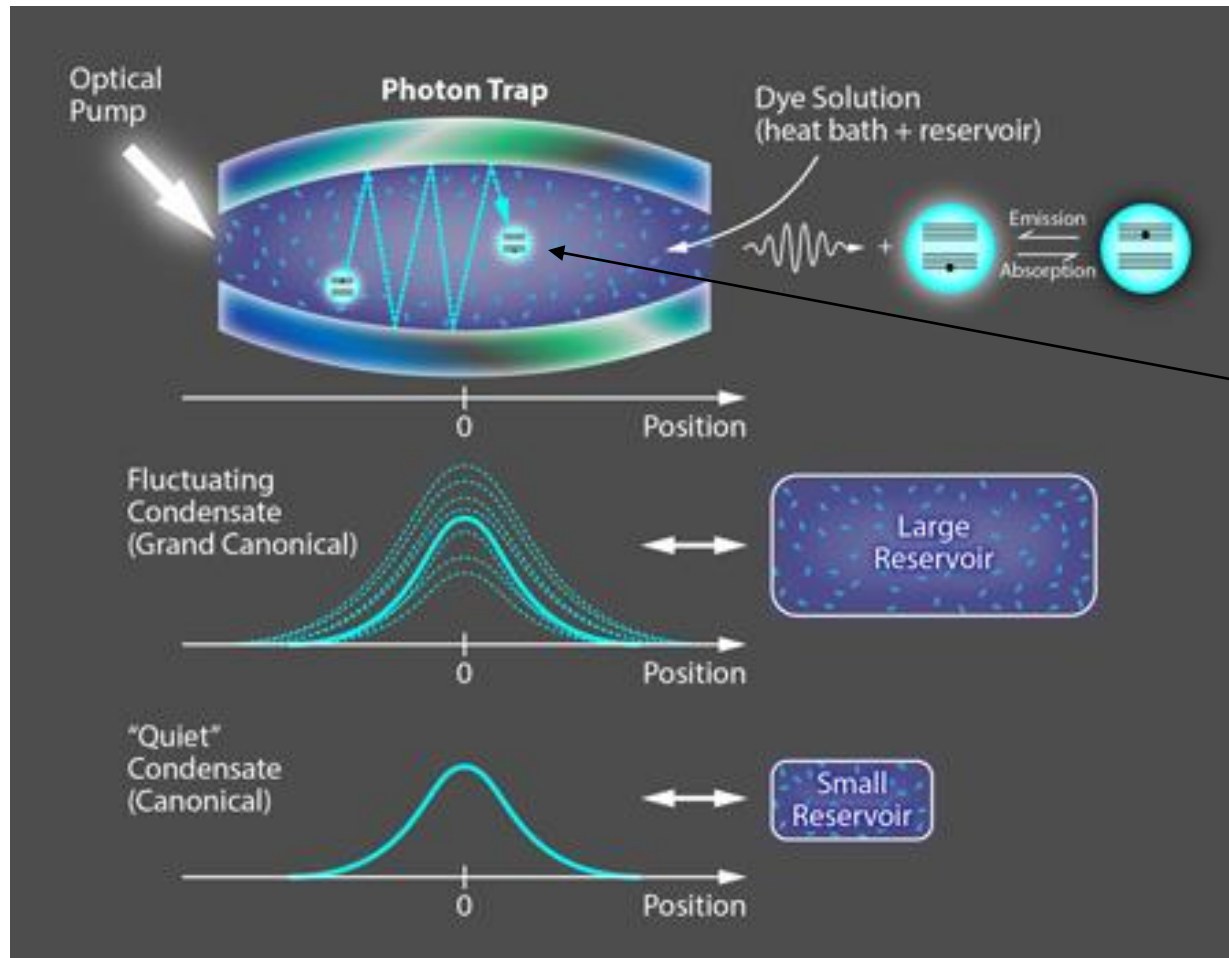
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PACS numbers: 03.75.Hh, 42.50.Ar, 67.85.Hj

Large statistical number fluctuations are a fundamental

with energy and particle number strictly fixed, while in the

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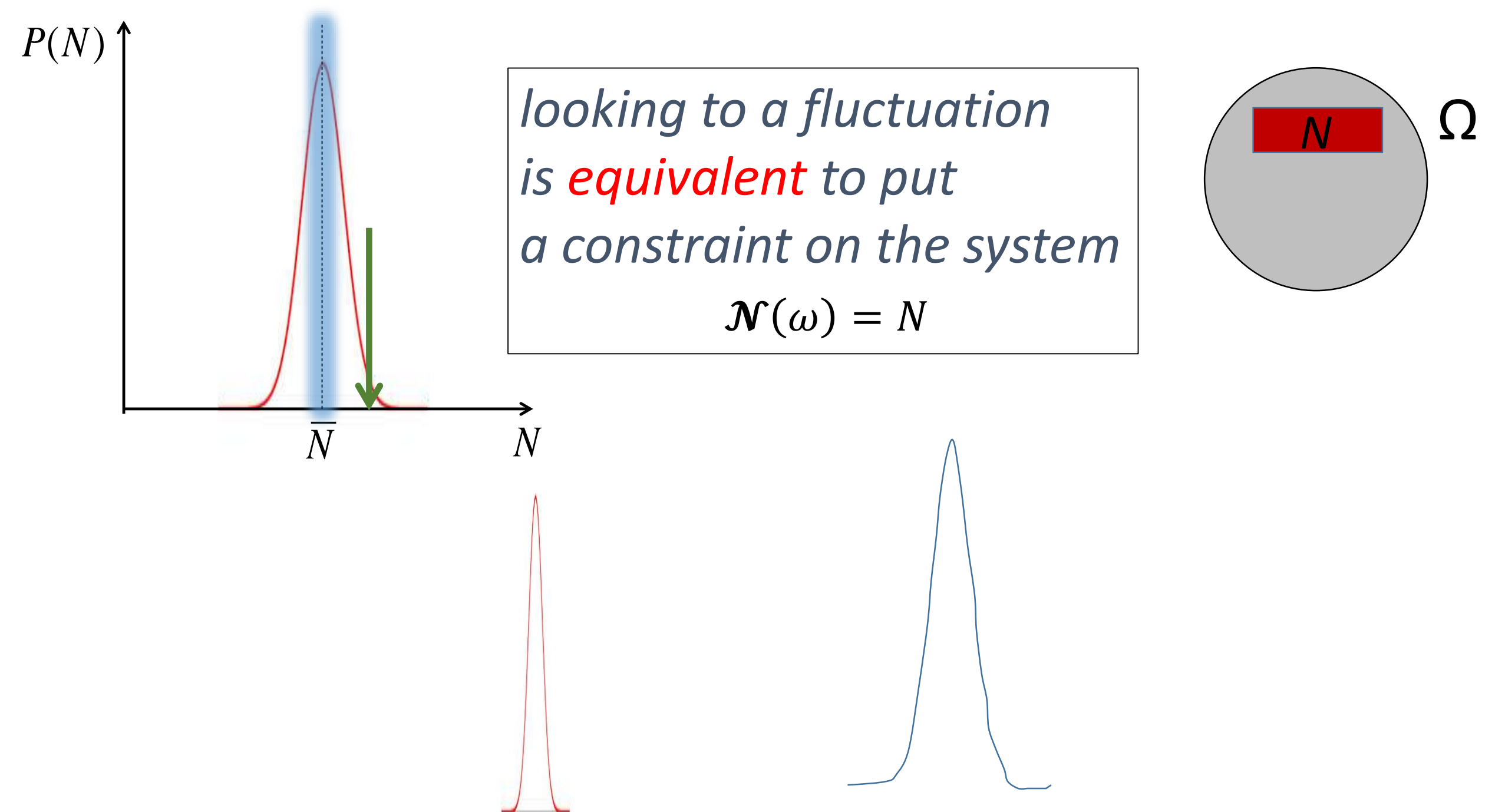
$\bar{\rho}$

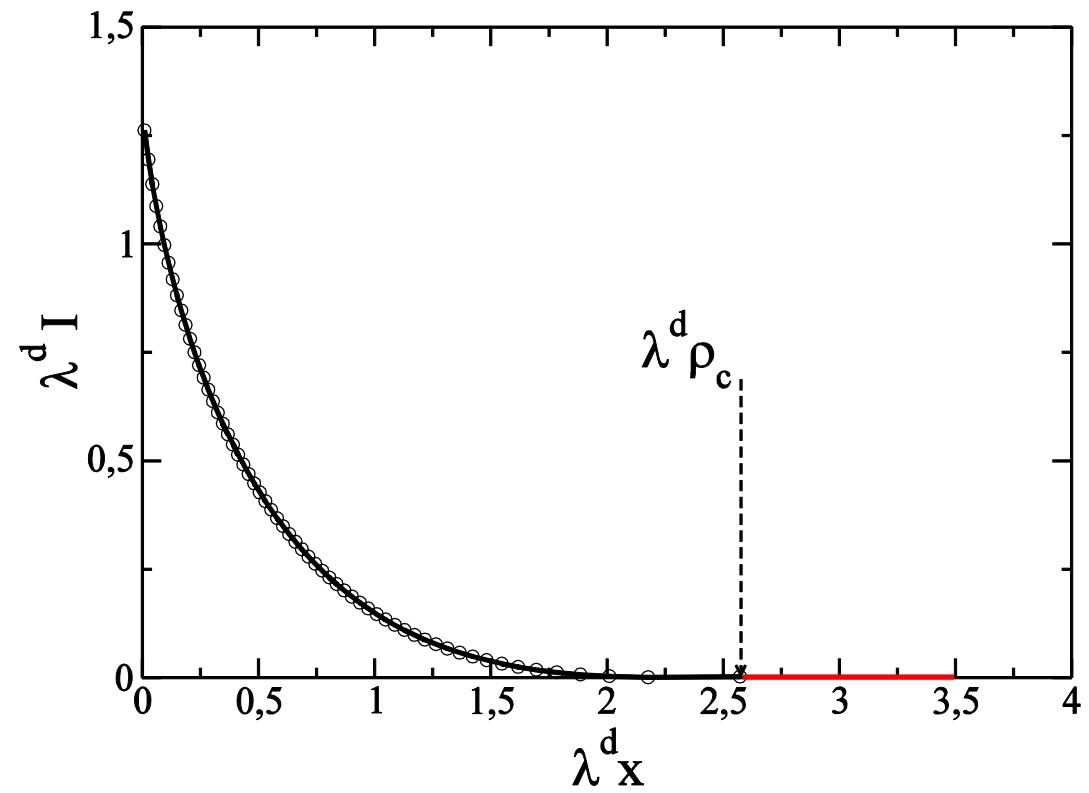
$\rho_{env}$

*different control parameters*  
 $\Rightarrow$  *different ensembles*

# CONCLUSIONS

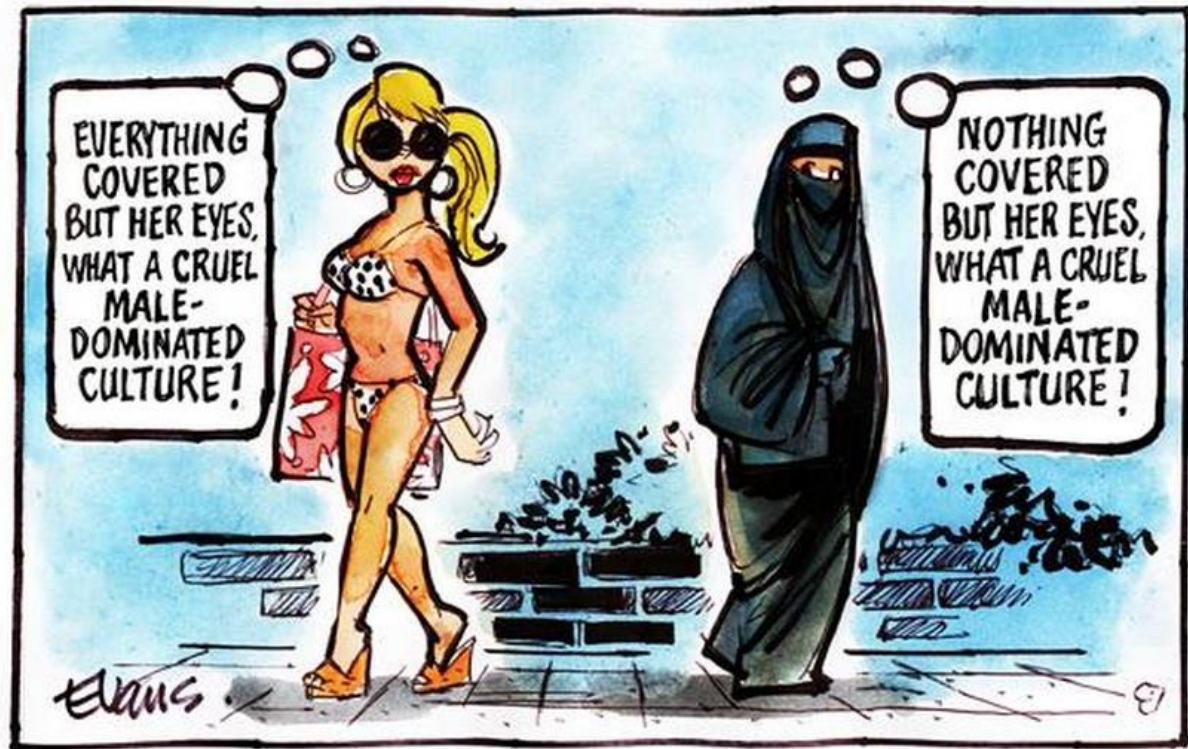
- *as a consequence of duality fluctuations may show non trivial behavior even in non interacting system*
- *the grand canonical catastrophe is condensation of fluctuations made observable*
- *The lab realization of the MCE reveals extreme sensitivity of the statistical ensemble to control parameters*







oddity and normality are «cultural» concepts



What is strange for someone is normal for someone else

